

## **National Association of Basketball Coaches**

## NCAA Division II Men's Basketball Rankings February 25, 2020 (Regular Season Poll #14)

	Record	Points	Last
1. Northwest Missouri State	26-1	400	1
2. Lincoln Memorial (Tenn.)	27-1	380	2
3. West Texas A&M	27-1	369	3
4. UC San Diego	26-1	355	4
5. Florida Southern	24-2	336	5
6. Azusa Pacific (Calif.)	23-3	317	6
7. Indiana (Pa.)	23-2	313	8
8. Jefferson (Pa.)	24-2	285	9
9. Valdosta State (Ga.)	22-3	267	12
10. St. Edward's (Texas)	24-3	248	7
11. Ferris State (Mich.)	26-5	217	14
12. St. Thomas Aquinas (N.Y.)	22-4	206	15
13. West Liberty (W.Va.)	22-4	199	16
14. Nova Southeastern (Fla.)	20-4	196	10
15. Indianapolis (Ind.)	21-5	174	19
16. Bridgeport (Conn.)	21-3	166	11
17. Rogers State (Okla.)	22-5	134	23
18. Missouri-St. Louis	23-5	122	24
19. UNC Pembroke	21-5	94	NR
20. Alabama Huntsville	21-5	84	NR
21. Northern State (S.D.)	22-6	45	NR
22. Missouri Southern	19-7	38	17
23. Cal State San Bernardino	20-6	37	18
24. Southern Indiana	21-5	32	NR
25. Dixie State (Utah)	21-6	31	13

Records through games of February 23, 2020. Last ranking is from poll released Feb. 18.

First place votes – Northwest Missouri State (16).

**Others receiving votes:** Lee (Tenn.) 30, Chico State (Calif.) 24, Seattle Pacific (Wash.) 23, Bellarmine (Ky.) 20, Queens (N.C.) 15, Shippensburg (Pa.) 14, Grand Valley State (Mich.) 10, Cal Poly Pomona 6, King (Tenn.) 5, Point Loma (Calif.) 5, Charleston (W.Va.) 4, Southern Nazarene (Okla.) 3, Angelo State (Texas) 2, Le Moyne (N.Y.) 2, Augusta (Ga.) 1, Saint Anselm (N.H.) 1.

**Dropped out:** Seattle Pacific (20), Grand Valley State (21), Walsh (22), Cal Poly Pomona (25).

## Weekly Poll Notes:

As the final week of the regular season has arrived as well as the start of conference tournaments – the first of which begins on Tuesday night – the top six spots remained the same in the new NABC/Division II rankings. Northwest Missouri State holds the top spot for the fifth week in succession and Lincoln Memorial comes in at No. 2 after extending its winning streak to 27 games.

The rankings currently have four one-loss teams – No. 3 West Texas A&M and No. 4 UC San Diego along with the two aforementioned teams – and three two-loss squads in No. 5 Florida Southern, No. 7 Indiana (Pa.) and No. 8 Jefferson.

Indiana and Jefferson both moved up a spot after St. Edward's suffered a loss last Thursday at DBU that dropped the Hilltoppers to No. 10. The only new team to join the top 10 this week is Valdosta State at No. 9 as the Blazers have rattled off 15 straight wins.

The Lone Star Conference is the only conference with two teams in the top 10 this week, while the Great Lakes Valley Conference and Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association have three teams apiece in the top 25. A total of 16 conferences have teams ranked in this week's top 25.

Four teams that were not ranked last week joined the top 25 this week, although three of them have previously been there during the regular season. The fourth, Northern State, was ranked 15<sup>th</sup> in the pre-season poll but has not been ranked since the first regular season poll was released in November.

The second round of NCAA Division II regional rankings will be released on Wednesday. Of the eight teams that were ranked at their top of their regions last week, six are currently ranked among the top seven teams in this week's NABC poll. The exception is No. 6 Azusa Pacific, who was behind No. 4 UC San Diego in the West region.